CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Presentation Regarding The United Way Lodi Area Community Council

Mini-Grant Program

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, April 17, 2002

PREPARED BY: Cynthia L. Haynes

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Information only.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: United Way of San Joaquin County's Lodi Area

Community Council is announcing the availability of \$25,000 to be awarded in the form of mini-grants to health and human service programs in the Lodi area.

This is the fourth year the mini-grant program has been offered to local 501c3 tax-exempt organizations or programs sponsored by one. The program must be offered to Lodi area residents. The grants offered range from \$500 to \$2,500. Applications are due by May 1, 2002 and will be awarded by July 1, 2002. Applications are available at Lodi Memorial Hospital and City Hall.

These funds are available through the United Way of SamJoaquin County's annual fund drive.

FUNDING: None.

Community Promotions Coordinator

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	H. Dixon Flynn City Manager



NEW RELEASE

Start Date: April 1, 2002 Contact: Cynthia Haynes
Stop Date: May 1, 2002 Community Promotions
City of Lodi 209-333-6801

LODI AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL Announces Funding Availability

Lodi, Today the Lodi Area Community Council announced the availability of \$25, 000.00 to be awarded to Health and Human service Programs in the Lodi area.

"Grants up to \$2,500.00, will be awarded at a luncheon on July 12th of this year," said Cynthia Haynes, City of Lodi's Community Promotions Coordinator and volunteer Chairperson of the Lodi Area Community Council. "This is the fourth year we have offered the mini grant program. Applications must either be submitted by a 501©3 tax-exempt organization or sponsored by one. As well, the groups must provide services in the Lodi area." The maximum amount awarded will be \$2,500. Last year twelve organizations received grants from \$500 to \$2,500.

Pastor Steve Jarrett of New Hope Community Church, and council member said, "the process is very rewarding for the volunteers, each member reviews the written applications, assigns a numerical score, then we discuss the merits of each, rank them by a combined score and fund the top programs. It is tough in one respect we always have more requests than we have money to award."

Joe Harrington, Lodi Memorial Hospital Administrator and Council member explained, "these funds are from the United way of San Joaquin county's annual fund drive and are in addition to the thousands of dollars received by Lodi agencies through donor designations and the county wide grant process currently in process."

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For more information, call Cynthia Haynes, Chairperson of the Lodi Area Community Council and Community Promotions Coordinator for the City of Lodi at 333-6801. Applications can be picked up in two locations:

City Manager's Office at City Hall

221 West Pine Street (upstairs)

Lodi Memorial Hospital

Administration Office 975 South Fairmont

Deadline for applications is 5 PM., May 1st, 2002

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